

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

IN RE ALTA MESA RESOURCES, INC.
SECURITIES LITIGATION

Case No. 4:19-CV-00957

PUBLIC VERSION OF DKT. 519-1

**DECLARATION OF TRIG R. SMITH IN SUPPORT OF CLASS PLAINTIFFS'
MOTION TO EXCLUDE CHARLES WHITEHEAD'S OPINION NO. 1**

I, Trig R. Smith, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice before all of the courts of the State of California and have been admitted *pro hac vice* to practice before this Court. I am a member of the law firm of Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP, one of the counsel of record for class plaintiff in the above-entitled action.

2. I respectfully submit this declaration in support of Class Plaintiffs' Motion to Exclude Charles Whitehead's Opinion No. 1

3. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein and, if called upon, I could and would competently testify thereto.

4. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of the following documents¹:

EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
A.	[REDACTED]
B.	[REDACTED]
C.	Adam Badawi's Rebuttal to the Opinions Offered by Charles Whitehead and Steven J. Pully, dated October 19, 2023
D.	Excerpts of CF Corporation's Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
E.	Excerpts of Gores Holdings, Inc.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
F.	Excerpts of M III Acquisition Corp.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)

¹ Some exhibits hereto bear deposition stickers which were added after their production at the bates numbers indicated.

EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
G.	Excerpts of Monocle Acquisition Corporation's Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
H.	Excerpts of Gores Holdings, III Inc.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
I.	Excerpts of Pensare Acquisition Corp.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
J.	Excerpts of Hennessy Capital Acquisition Corp. II's Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
K.	Excerpts of Industrea Acquisition Corp.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
L.	Excerpts of Black Ridge Acquisition Corp.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
M.	Excerpts of AKRO Corp.'s Amendment No. 3 to Form S-4 Registration Statement (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
N.	Excerpts of ChaSerg Technology Acquisition Corp.'s Form Schedule 14A (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)
O.	Excerpts of Insurance Acquisition Corp.'s Amendment No. 5 to Form S-4 Registration Statement (relied upon by Whitehead in support of Opinion No. 1)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 22, 2023, at San Diego, California.

/s/ Trig R. Smith

Trig R. Smith

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing has been served under seal via the Court's ECF system, and a copy has been served via email to counsel for all parties on December 22, 2023.

/s/ Andrew J. Entwistle

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